

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT

Troops in Starogard

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REMARKS

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1. The Red Barracks in Starogard (Preussisch Stargard, Q 54/D 38) was occupied by Polish troops from December 1948 to February 1951. The installation was located in the western sector of the city, on the northeast side of ul. Nowawajska, formerly Wilhelm Street, opposite the Catholic cemetery, and included two four-story barracks buildings, about 50 meters long, and four to six smaller buildings such as garages, storehouses and a gymnasium. All buildings were constructed of unstuccoed brick. The installation was occupied by a unit of troops carrying rifles only. The unit was commanded by a colonel. The troops were not **replaced** during the period of time covered by the report. The soldiers, who were 20 to 22 years old, wore green uniforms, long trousers with short puttees and laced shoes, and four-cornered caps mounting the Polish eagle emblem, and had dark-blue-bordered gray epaulets. Officers wore the same uniforms except for the crowns of the caps, which mounted two crossed white stripes, 10-mm wide. According to their own statements, the soldiers were due for discharge as early as late 1950. No prolongation of active military duty was known prior to February 1951.
2. Another barracks installation was located on the southeast side of ul. Spolna, formerly Market Street, almost opposite the power plant. The installation, which was generally referred to as the White Barracks by the residents, included two four-story white stucco buildings, about 60 meters long, which contained two or three garages and stockrooms. It was occupied by troops of the same branch of service as the above mentioned Red Barracks.  
The two barracks installations were estimated by the local population to quarter a total of 600 to 800 troops.
3. The officers' mess was southeast of the Red Barracks on the northeast side of ul. Nowawajska, in the building of the former German Lehrbezirkskommando (accounting office). Two armed soldiers stood guard in front of the building. Polish officers were observed in and around the officers' mess.
4. Military agencies were located on ul. Skarczewska, formerly Schoensacker Street, and in a private house on ul. Nowawajska.
5. The UB office was located in a private building beside the public health office on ul. Skarczewska. The UB staff wore green uniforms with long trousers and round visor-type service caps and had light-blue epaulets and cap bands.

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6. Gray Poles and naturalized Germans were drafted in the armed forces. The 1927 through 1930 classes were registered for the draft in January 1951, according to a public notice. The 1929 and 1930 classes were inducted in the fall of 1950. It was not determined whether the inductions concerned only a part of the individuals subject to the draft; originally, these classes were due for registration as late as January 1951. Up to 45-year-old men were also registered for the draft during 1950.

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